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News Release

DAYTON BACH SOCIETY
TO PRESENT ST. JOHN PASSION

DAYTON, Ohio, March 6, 1984 -- The Dayton Bach Society will present J.S. Bach's "Passion According to St. John" on Sunday, March 25, at 8 p.m. at the Kettering Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 3939 Stonebridge Rd.

Soloists for the performance include David Adams, faculty member at the College Conservatory of Music in Cincinnati (Evangelist); Joseph Albrecht, of Dayton, baritone (Jesus); Louise Rodine, former Dayton resident now living in Providence, Rhode Island, alto, and John Schuffel, baritone. Chorus members Donna Reece and Darlene Schilling will sing the soprano arias, and Nicholas Schilling and Bruce Swank will perform the tenor arias.

"The St. John Passion is clearly one of the most monumental pieces in Bach's choral output, and one of the great masterpieces of all time," commented conductor Richard Benedum, UD Music Division faculty member. "It is a much more dramatic piece, especially its second half, than the St. Matthew Passion."

Tickets for the concert are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. They will be available in advance from the University of Dayton Music Division and at the door on the evening of the concert.

The Bach Society will present its final concert, after the St. John Passion, on May 5 at the Victory Theatre. The program will include choral music of Bach, Brahms, and Debussy.

Concerts by the Dayton Bach Society are partially funded by grants from the Ohio Arts Council and the Projects Pool of The Dayton Performing Arts Fund.

For more information, contact the University of Dayton Music Office, (513) 229-3936.